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SUPPLEMENTAL INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

Sir:

This paper is supplemental to the Information Disclosure Statement filed June 24, 2005 and is being filed in accordance with 37 C.F.R. §1.97(d).

In accordance with 37 C.F.R. §1.56, applicants wish to call the Examiner's attention to the references cited on the attached form(s) PTO-1449.

Several of these references were cited in a search report in a corresponding British application. Copies of the search report is enclosed herewith. Only copies of the non-US Patents and/or US published applications are enclosed.

The Examiner is requested to consider the foregoing information in relation to this application and indicate that each reference was considered by returning a copy of the initialed PTO 1449 form(s).

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees which may be required to Deposit Account No. 19-0134 in the name of Novartis.

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